



# NEWS RELEASE

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### Progress on the Pit River Bridge

**REDDING** – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 2 continues work on the deck of the Pit River Bridge, ten miles north of Redding on Interstate 5. Operations on the two-year emergency deck replacement project have required reducing traffic to one lane in each direction and reducing speeds to 45 MPH while crews removed the 60-year-old concrete northbound lanes.

This first phase of the project is nearing completion and workers will begin reconfiguring the travel way in preparation for the second phase, removal and reconstruction of the center lanes.

Currently, both northbound and southbound motorists cross the bridge using the west side or (southbound lanes) of the bridge. Beginning the week of April 9, 2007, southbound traffic will remain in place, but northbound drivers will be routed to the newly constructed northbound lane of the bridge.

Directional markers, new striping, arrow boards and signs will alert motorists to the changes.

Drivers may experience minor delays at anytime and should anticipate moderate to major delays during the upcoming July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday.

Please use caution through the Cone Zone.

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